



6 July 2023

## Public hearing on National Redress Scheme

The Committee will be holding a public hearing tomorrow for an inquiry into the [National Redress Scheme](#).

Commencing from 11:00am AEST, the Committee will hear evidence from organisations providing redress support services. The program is available on the Committee's [website](#).

The inquiry is looking into a range of areas, including:

- The experience of First Nations applicants and applicants with disability in their dealings with the Scheme.
- Accessibility, performance and effectiveness of support services and legal advice for survivors and their advocates.

Committee Chair Senator Catryna Bilyk said: 'Submissions to the inquiry highlighted issues such as communication challenges, cultural safety, distance from services and a high demand for services.'

'Navigating the process can be difficult. The Committee is interested to hear about how accessibility could be improved and what strategies could help improve awareness of the National Redress Scheme.'

A further public hearing is planned on Tuesday 11 July 2023. Details are expected to be announced soon.

Full details of what the inquiry is examining can be found in the [terms of reference](#) on the Committee's website. An [easy English guide](#) is also available.

### Public hearing details

Friday 7 July 2023

11:00am to around 3:30pm (Canberra time)

Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

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